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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 4011
Kenichi IWAMOTO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003_1590
Serial No. 10/699,788 : Group Art Unit 3682
Filed November 4, 2003 : Examiner Marcus Charles
PISTON ROD POSITION DETECTOR,
AUTOTENSIONER AND BELT TENSION
ADJUSTER : Mail Stop: AMENDMENT

REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 13, 2005, a corrected version of the "Amendment to the Claims" section of the Amendment filed September 29, 2005 is submitted herewith.

In particular, the Examiner indicated that the September 29, 2005 Amendment was non-compliant because claims 6-27 were not provided with the claim identifiers "(withdrawn)" or "(withdrawn-currently amended)". In addition, the Examiner pointed out that deletions must be indicated by strike-through. Accordingly, the attached "Amendments to the Claims" section of the previously-filed amendment includes the correct claim identifiers and the correct strike-throughs to show deletions.

Favorable action on the merits of this application is now respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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